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Budget Allocation to Air Force
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the reduction in budget allocation to Air Force despite the demand for projects under the new schemes has resulted in slower modernization process of Air Force;

(b) if so, the details of projects that have been delayed due to fund crunch and have been put on hold for the same reasons;

(c) whether fund crunch is impacting the critical Air Force needs at present;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

(a) to (e): The modernization of the armed forces is an ongoing process and is executed in consonance with the roadmap laid down in the Long Term Integrated Perspective Plan.

Government constantly reviews the security environment and ensures that IAF is fully equipped to meet the security challenges. Government continuously monitors progress of schemes and expenditure to ensure that defence preparedness is maintained. Additional funds are allotted in case of requirement.

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